

HIGH SPRINGS HIGHLIGHTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT

This month, your High Springs Police Department honors department firsts:

Officer Charlie "Bill" Reshard was the City of High Springs' FIRST African American Police Officer. He proudly served the citizens of High Springs from 1965-1985, when he retired. He was also a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. Officer Reshard passed away on March 10th, 2004, at the age of 87. We thank him for his service and dedication.





FIRE DEPARTMENT

As we highlighted last month, a \$1.4 million dollar investment to our community finally came to fruition on March 14th, when two brand-new fire apparatus went into service.

To mark the occasion, nearly 100 of our neighbors joined us for a traditional "push-in" ceremony. The "push-in" dates back to the 1800s, when firefighters would un-hitch their horses and push the apparatus back into the station after a call.

At press time, our new trucks have been staying busy, responding to 35 calls since going into service.



BUILDING DEPARTMENT

With the warmer days ahead, remember those AC/HVAC changes need permits. Most of our contractors here are aware but just in case there is someone outside of the City you hire, they should pull a permit. One last tip, all of our permits can be found online at highsprings.gov/building. If we can assist in any way, please let us know.

PARKS & REC DEPARTMENT

We are excited to welcome our new administrative coordinator, Jennifer Corbett. Jennifer was born and raised in the High Springs area and joins our team from the automotive industry where she worked in the finance department. In her spare time, Jennifer enjoys kayaking and spending time with her two children.



PLANNING DEPARTMENT

On February 28, 2023, the Plan Board approved plans for the restoration of the Victorian style house located at 18618 NW 235th Street. This structure was built in the early 1900s and is referenced as the "Codwin House" within our National Historic Registry entry. The project will include repainting the exterior of the main structure, the addition of a carriage house and workshop, as well as extensive landscaping, which includes pathways, flower beds, a fountain, pergola, and fencing.





PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

As you may have seen the last couple of weeks, crews are hard at work 145 feet above the ground cleaning and maintaining the city water tower.

Part of this project will also include re-painting and lettering the tower. Work is expected to be completed by the end of April.

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT

Spring has sprung, and our team has been busy beautifying the CRA district, with fresh new landscaping and irrigation! A special thank you to Ron, Gary, Erick, Lorenzo, Wayne, Joseph, and Jason from Public Works for your hard work!

Want to know more about what the Community Redevelopment Agency is all about, and our mission to support our city? Pop by the CRA office Monday-Thursday 7AM-6PM and chat with Amy!

Several exciting projects and upgrades to CRA programs are in the works. Stay tuned for more!





UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 13th: Commission Meeting
- April 20th: Joint County/City Commission Meeting
- April 27th: Commission Meeting
- April 29th & 30th: Pioneer Days